

**DISCIPLINARY ACTION REPORT**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-114 requires the Tennessee Department of Health to issue a monthly media release listing all disciplinary actions taken by the health-related boards during the prior month. Below is a list of actions taken in **June 2023**. *Detailed information about disciplinary actions is available on our website at <https://apps.health.tn.gov/Licensure/default.aspx>. Enter the name of the person. When the license information comes up, click either "disciplinary action" or "adverse licensure action" in the right column. Abuse Registry information is available on our website at <https://apps.health.tn.gov/AbuseRegistry/default.aspx>. Facility information is available on our website at <https://apps.health.tn.gov/facilityListings/>*

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**APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYST LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Licensee: Kristin Sproles, L.B.A., Lic. No 792, Wilmington, North Carolina  
Violation: Respondent worked on an expired license for seven months.  
Action: Respondent's license was reprimanded. She was assessed \$500 in civil penalties and ordered to pay costs.

**BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Licensee: Chase Batten, AEMT 215141, Cleveland  
Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.  
Action: License suspended with terms

Licensee: Jose DeJesus Bermudez Jr., EMT 217119, Dickson  
Violation: Violation or attempted violation or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any rule or regulation of the board; performing or attempting emergency care techniques or procedures without proper permission, license, certification, training, medical direction, or otherwise engaging in unethical practices or conduct; accepting and performing, or attempting to perform, professional responsibilities which the licensee knows, or has reason to know, he is not competent to perform  
Action: License placed on probation for three years; must attend an EMT Refresher course; must complete and submit proof of completion of a four-hour Ethics course.

Licensee: Joshua Brown, Paramedic 213889, Hixson  
Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.  
Action: License suspended with terms

- Licensee: Rachel Nicola Checchi, AEMT 212877, Dowelltown  
Violation: Violation or attempted violation or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any rule or regulation of the board; performing or attempting emergency care techniques or procedures without proper permission, license, certification, training, medical direction, or otherwise engaging in unethical practices or conduct; engaging in the delivery of emergency medical services, on a revoked, suspended, expired, or inactive license, or beyond the scope of a modified or conditioned license.  
Action: License placed on probation for three years.
- Licensee: Wayne Eades II, EMT 217202, Memphis  
Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.  
Action: License suspended with terms.
- Licensee: Alexis J. Hackney, AEMT 215244, La Vergne  
Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.  
Action: License suspended with terms.
- Licensee: Casey Lynn Hatfield, AEMT 37528, Hixson  
Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.  
Action: License suspended with terms.
- Licensee: Eric Knowlton, EMT 215099, Millington  
Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.  
Action: License suspended with terms.
- Licensee: Joshua M. Patrick, AEMT 42220, Halls  
Violation: Violation or attempted violation or assisting in or abetting the violation of or conspiring to violate any rule or regulation of the board; performing or attempting emergency care techniques or procedures without proper permission, license, certification, training, medical direction, or otherwise engaging in unethical practices or conduct; engaging in the delivery of emergency medical services, on a revoked, suspended, expired, or inactive license, or beyond the scope of a modified or conditioned license.  
Action: License voluntarily surrendered.
- Licensee: Bailey S. Peralta, AEMT 216265, Christiana

Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.

Action: License suspended with terms.

Licensee: Ariel Chyenne Shahan, AEMT 41908, Birchwood

Violation: Habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotic, controlled substances, controlled substance analogues or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the deliver, performance, or activities in the care of the patients requiring medical care.

Action: License suspended with terms.

### **BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

Licensee: Aaron Areli Hernandez-Ramirez, MD 55152, Cordova

Violation: Demonstrated incompetence by preforming poorly on Center for Personalized Education for Professionals ("CPEP") assessment. Respondent was also summarily suspended by the Alabama Medical Board.

Action: License Summarily Suspended.

Licensee: Ralph Thomas Reach, MD 41263, Jonesborough

Violation: Conviction of a state or federal offense that involves a controlled substance violation or sexual offense.

Action: License revoked.

### **BOARD OF NURSING**

Licensee: Anthony D. Littlejohn, LPN 69436, Memphis

Violation: Acting on a tip that Respondent was stealing medication from his jobs at two nursing homes, police found more than 700 doses of controlled substances and more than 750 doses of legend medications in his vehicle, as well as \$956 on his person. Respondent was charged with 12 counts of possessing controlled substances with the intent to manufacture, deliver, or distribute, a Class E felony, and 20 counts of possessing legend drugs without a prescription, a Class C misdemeanor. Respondent was indicted for the felony charges but did not inform the Board of Nursing within seven days of his indictment, as required by law. Guilty of a crime; Failure to notify the Board of Nursing within seven (7) calendar days of acquiring actual knowledge of a state or federal indictment for an offense involving the sale or dispensing of controlled substances; Guilty of unprofessional conduct; to wit: Unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and Engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing..

Action: License revoked; assessed civil penalties in the amount of \$73,750.00; plus costs not to exceed \$40,000.00

**BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS**

- Licensee: Andrew C. Loomis, L.M.S.W., Lic. No. 7156, Crossville  
Violation: Is guilty of practicing as a licensed master's social worker for 36 months on a lapsed license.  
Action: License reprimanded. Respondent must pay thirty-two (32) Type B Civil Penalties of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) each and two (2) Type B Civil Penalties of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) each for a total of three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600.00) within eighteen (18) months.
- Licensee: Stephanie Perdue, L.C.S.W., Lic. No. 4343, Knoxville  
Violation: Is guilty of unprofessional conduct; and violating the Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers by creating a conflict of interest  
Action: Respondent's license is placed on Probation for a minimum of one (1) year; pay costs not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00); complete ten (10) CE hours of five (5) hours each in conflicts of interest and boundaries; pay one (1) Type A Civil Penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00); license will remain on probation until all requirements of discipline are complete.

**BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINERS**

- Licensee: David McMillan, Ph.D., Lic. No 523, Nashville  
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable, or unethical conduct; failure to comply with Ethical Standards relating to Informed Consent and Discussing the Limits of Confidentiality.  
Action: Respondent's license was reprimanded. Respondent shall adhere to the conditions recommended in his TCAF contract and pay \$1,000 in civil penalties plus costs.
- Licensee: Julia Dodd, Ph.D., Lic. No 3449, Johnson City  
Violation: Respondent worked on an expired license for eleven months.  
Action: Respondent's license was reprimanded. She was assessed \$900 in civil penalties and ordered to pay costs.